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Lt. Governor Peter Kinder names Mamie Young of St. Louis as Senior Service Award Winner

Award recognizes volunteer work by Missouri Seniors

JEFFERSON CITY – Missouri Lt. Governor Peter Kinder today announced 35 winners of the Lieutenant Governor's Senior Service Award, including Mamie Young of St. Louis.

Lt. Governor Kinder presented the awards May 8 at a luncheon for the winners and their guests outside his office in the Capitol. Young was nominated by Ollie Stewart, executive director, and the staff of Southside Wellness Center Inc. in St. Louis.

Young volunteers four days each week at the center, where she helps with the preventative arthritis program. In the nomination, Stewart said Young "lights up the room" with her warm smile and hugs.

"She is very dedicated and a hard worker and has been adopted by the other seniors as Momma Mamie. When you look at Ms. Mamie Young, you get motivation and encouragement, because this lady is amazing."

Lt. Governor Kinder presented Young with an official declaration and a Senior Service Award lapel pin at a ceremony in the Capitol.

"Mamie Young sets an example for all Missourians with her kindness and willingness to serve seniors at the Southside Wellness Center," Kinder said. "Her selfless service is an inspiration to all who know her."

Kinder this year received more than 150 nominations for the Senior Service Award, naming 34 winners representing the state's 34 Senatorial Districts and one at-large winner. Young won in District 5.